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ALLARD ANNOUNCES HEARING FOR ARKANSAS VALLEY CONDUIT BILL

COLORADO LAWMAKERS BILL WILL APPEAR BEFORE SENATE ENERGY
COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 15TH

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO) announced that the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources will hold a hearing on his Arkansas Valley Conduit legislation on Wednesday, October 15th. Allard introduced the legislation (S. 1058) earlier this year. The Conduit is a pipeline that would supply water to citizens along the Arkansas River. It was initially authorized in 1962 with the enactment of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project.

“This hearing will provide a forum for members of the U.S. Senate to learn how important it is that we fulfill the promise of the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project made more than four decades ago to the people of the Lower Arkansas Valley to construct the Conduit,” said Allard.

The legislation creates a cost-share formula that requires the federal government to pay for 75 percent of the Conduit’s construction costs. The remaining 25 percent will be paid for by local entities. Allard worked closely with citizens and elected officials from communities in the Lower Arkansas Valley in the drafting of the legislation.

Colorado Fourth District U.S. Representative Marilyn Musgrave has introduced identical legislation to Allard’s in the U.S. House of Representatives and will testify in support of Allard’s bill at the hearing.

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